



Welcome! We are glad you are here today!

Our Vision: A growing community of disciples of Jesus, expressing Christ's redeeming love and reconciliation.

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Prelude by Linda Myers

Opening song led by Lisa Zimmerman

Welcome and Call to Worship by Andres Prins

Offering is for Leadership Support

Renovation Tithe Report

Affirmation Ballot for Henry Youndt as Elder
on Leadership Team

Praise Team led by Lisa, Caeley, and Lily Zimmerman
and Linda Myers

Scripture: Genesis 9: 1-17

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

“Our God Who Makes Covenant”

Closing Song

Commissioning for Andres and Angelica Prins

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TODAY: Krista Snader: Sunday, September 13

Diane Weaver: Monday, September 14

Donald Beck: Thursday, September 17

Mark Wenger: Saturday, September 19

HAPPY 82nd BIRTHDAY TO RAY BOLL: Monday, September 21

HAPPY 84th BIRTHDAY TO BOB BOOK: Tuesday, September 22

HAPPY 85th BIRTHDAY TO LANCE WATT: Tuesday, September 22

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Tim and Linda Herr: Tuesday, September 15

Lee and Lisa Zimmerman: Tuesday, September 15

Glen and Joyce Shenk: Thursday, September 17

Marlin and Norene Zimmerman: Thursday, September 17

To raise funds for youth group activities, a Silent Auction Bake Sale will be taking place over the Sundays of **September 13, 20, and 27**. If you want a chance of winning a treat made by youth and youth leaders, check out the bidding sheets on the back table! The highest bidders will be able to choose a date to receive their dessert.

Copies of the August Admin. Team meeting minutes are on the front and back tables.

Pastor Tom will be traveling to Hong Kong from October 8-19 for the fiftieth anniversary of the Hong Kong Mennonite Church.

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

Pray for Ada Burkhart as she has been experiencing some balance issues and was in the hospital several days this week.

Pray for restored health and well-being for Jonathan Bauman.

Pray for the family of Ron Hock as they grieve his passing this past Sunday evening and prepare for his funeral here at Groffdale on Friday September 18.

Pray for Andres and Angelica as they leave on Monday evening to return to Morocco. Pray for traveling mercies, good health, and a warm reception from their community in Marrakesh.

Pray for Norma Rutt as she travels to Michigan on Sept 14.

Pray for Jennifer Eshleman's family as they grieve the passing of her cousin Nate Beachy last Sunday. Nate was 46 years old and was battling cancer for the past three years. Pray for his wife Krista and their three adult children and for Nate's parents Jim and Pam Beachy. Nate served as a pastor in upstate New York near Vermont.

Give thanks to God for the meaningful time of Fall Youth planning that took place on Sunday evening September 6.

Pray for Brian Snader as he prepares to travel to Malawi September 17-October 1 on a Learning Tour with Mennonite Central Committee.

Ron Hock's funeral service will be at Groffdale Mennonite Church on **Friday September 18 at 3:30pm with a viewing from 2:30-3:30.**

SAVE THE DATES!!

The Property Team is planning to mulch the church property on **Saturday, October 3**. All ages are welcome to help. We plan to start at 7:30am; come when you can. Refreshments will be served. The rain date is Saturday, October 10.

With joy we share that **Adriel Gavilondo and Elyse Zimmerman** have expressed a desire to be baptized! We invite you to come and support them as they are baptized on **Sunday October 4** immediately following the morning worship service. The baptism will be held at the former Hurst House Pond beside Fairmount Homes.

Everyone is invited to spend some time volunteering at MCC's Material Resource Center on Trout Run Rd in Ephrata on **Tuesday October 13 from 9am-2:30pm**.

You can come and go as you please. Bring a lunch if you plan to volunteer all day.

EVERENCE MYNEIGHBOR PROGRAM

The Everence MyNeighbor Program is a credit card rewards initiative where Everence Federal Credit Union donates 1.50% of every purchase amount to a designated charitable organization or congregation of your choice. The donations are paid out annually to the selected charity.

If you have an Everence credit card and an online account, look for the Account Summary page with the My Neighbor link. You can designate Groffdale Mennonite Church as your charitable recipient (or any other organization like Mennonite Central Committee or Global Disciples). If you do not have an online account set up, call 800-451-5719 or email infocu@everence.com

Morning Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 8:30am in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited to join this group for a meaningful time of prayer and fellowship.

CV SEEDS News, Opportunities, and Prayers

News: Our FREE Community Breakfast is back! Oct 8 from 7-8:30am. Sign up on the SEEDS website: seedscv.com

Prayers: Pray with us for our families and students who started a new school year - for strength, courage, and safety for them!

Opportunities: Volunteers for our fall session of ESL are needed! Childcare (all ages), teachers, bringing a meal, transportation, or a floater. Learn more at seedscv.com/volunteer-opportunities or see Joyce Shenk for more information.

***Thank you to those serving in our
worship service today!***

Ushers: Glenn Hershey and Charles Bauman
Projectionist: Diane Weaver
Sound Tech: Dale Weaver
Livestream: Jim Evans
Camera Operator: Dawn Moore

Serving next Sunday, September 20

Prelude: Bob Mohler/Rick Umble
Hymns Leader: Glenn Hershey
Worship Leader: Lisa Zimmerman
Sermon: Lee Zimmerman
Projectionist: Becki Day

Sound: Dale Weaver
Livestream: Keith Stoltzfus
Camera: Harold Mohler
Ushers: Elvin and Lois Martin
Offering: Program Fund

Pat Musselman has moved to Fairmount Homes.
Her new address is:

1211 Farm Crest Dr.
Ephrata, PA 17522
Home phone: 717-354-1690
Cell phone: 717-314-9722

Donald Beck has a birthday on Thursday, September 17. We encourage everyone to bless him by sending a card to:

216 S. Conestoga Dr.
Lancaster, PA 17602



WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

We are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning and we hope you come again. We invite you to fill out one of the guest cards found on the back of the church benches and place the completed card in the offering basket.

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